usage charges (IUC) consistency to be followed with regard to the tariff packages. Tariff for basic services (except for rural) and cellular mobile services (except for roaming) is presently under forbearance and the service providers are at liberty to offer various tariff plans.

(e) and (f) The Government is working towards introduction of one India call rate. The proposed measures is at initial stage.

Features of 3G service lines

369. SHRI R. SHUNMUGASUNDARAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) when BSNL propose to launch its 3G services;

(b) how many new lines would be given under 3 G services; and

(c) the special features of the 3G service lines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) proposes to introduce 3G service as part of the next phase of procurements for the financial year 2006-07.

(b) BSNL is in the process of assessing the demand potential for the 3G services but from procurement angle, BSNL is contemplating 50% of the tendered quantity for 3G services.

(c) 3G service support data speed up to 2 Mbps which can support following applications:

- Video streaming
- Video download
- Online games etc.

World Bank's assistance for I.T. Education Programme

370. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sought World Bank's assistance for Information Technology Education Programme in the country; and